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TO AMEMBASSY GABORONE NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA NIACT IMMEDIATE

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CHEROKEE, FOR SCHAUFLE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: YOUR MEETINGS WITH SMITH AS WELL AS WITH CERTAIN
FRONT-LINE LEADERS

REF: SECTO 28015

1. IN ADDITION TO MEETING WITH SMITH, THE SECRETARY WANTS
YOU TO ACCOMPANY ROWLANDS IN HIS CALLS ON FRONT-LINE LEADERS
WHEREVER POSSIBLE. IN THE EVENT THERE IS A CONFLICT IN
DATES, RHODESIAN DISCUSSIONS SHOULD TAKE PRIORITY. THE
SECRETARY WANTS YOU TO STAY CLOSE TO BRITISH AND ASSURE
THAT BRITISH DON'T START PRE-NEGOTIATING SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES.
AS YOU RECOGNIZE, AT THIS JUNCTURE WE WANT TO LIMIT OUR TALKS
TO MODALITIES AND MATTERS RELATING TO PARTICIPATION IN
CONFERENCE.

2. WE PARTICULARLY WANT YOU TO SEE PRESIDENT MACHEL, WHO
HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN TALKING WITH YOU. WE ARE

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REPEATING CABLE JUST RECEIVED FROM MAPUTO CONVEYING MACHEL'S

REQUEST.

3. BECAUSE OF PROBABILITY THAT FOREGOING COMMITMENTS WILL MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO ATTEND LESOTHO 10TH ANNI-VERSARY CELEBRATIONS, WE HAVE ASKED AMBASSADOR MARSHALL TO TAKE YOUR PLACE. LETTERS OF CREDENCE FOR HIM TO HEAD U.S. DELEGATION ARE BEING EXPEDITED AND YOU CAN SEND ALONG SECRETARY'S SUBSTANTIVE LETTER TO CHIEF JONATHAN, AS WELL AS GIFT. WE ARE PREPARING SUITABLE MESSAGES TO MBABANE AS WELL AS TO MASERU.

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